



Know It!

an e-news service for our partners from the Howard County Tourism Team



Howard County Restaurant

Weeks: Feb. 23 - March 8

Discover the best deal in dining out when you visit Howard County's finest

restaurants! See the list of participating restaurants at www.VisitHowardCounty.com

Prices range from \$10.09 - \$40.09 for prix fixe menus. Pick up a Frequent Diners Passport Card and visit at least 6 restaurants to be eligible to win a \$100 dining gift certificate.

Connect It

Networking Event

Wednesday, March 18

Behind the Scenes Peek at [Rep Stage](#)

Guests at this networking event will be treated to a fascinating guided tour of the newly renovated Horowitz Center at Howard Community College. See how the creative artists at Rep Stage make the magic happen! Join us for wine and appetizers provided by The Wine Bin and Aida Bistro from 5 - 7 pm. **Tour begins at 5:45 pm.**

Event is free but space is limited; please register by replying to register@visithowardcounty.com

Tourism Partners Shine as Nominees for RAM Industry Awards

The Restaurant Association of Maryland will honor outstanding businesses and professionals at its awards gala on March 23. The dining public is invited to vote, so take this opportunity to show your support for Tourism partners in the following categories:

Favorite Restaurant: Jordan's Steakhouse

Favorite Caterer: Putting on the Ritz

Pastry Chef of the Year: Ranazul Executive Chef Jaime Ayala

Cast your vote by visiting the RAM website: www.marylandrestaurants.com and go to the Gala link. Tickets to the event may also be purchased online.

RUN, BIKE, PLAY, LIVE PINK at the Howard LIFE Festival!

SAVE THE DATE



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PINK GREENS

MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2009

A fundraising tournament to benefit
BLOSSOMS OF HOPE and
THE CLAUDIA MAYER CANCER RESOURCE CENTER



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Come on, We Double Dare You!

Our popular ghost tour "Ye Haunted History of Olde Ellicott City" began earlier than usual this year with a special Friday the 13th double offer. Thirty eight brave souls joined us for both Part I & Part II of the tour. If taking both tours (Part I at 7:00PM and Part II at 9:00PM) guests enjoy a \$5 savings over the regular \$10 per tour price.

We will offer the same special for Friday, March 13th and Friday, November 13th. Make your reservations [online](#) or call 410-313-1900. Regularly scheduled tours run Fridays and Saturdays April through November at 8:30PM.

A Fascinating History of Ellicott City

Spring is just around the corner and now's the time to renew your commitment to health & fitness. You can start by registering today for one of the six different fitness events to be featured at Tricolumbia's NEW Howard LIFE Festival to be held in downtown Columbia on SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2009. This newest endeavor from Robert Vigorito and the folks at Columbia Triathlon Association is being presented as part of Howard County Tourism's Blossoms of Hope



CHERRYBRATION DAYS celebration and will benefit both Blossoms of Hope and the Ulman Cancer Fund. Click [here](#) for more information and to register.

HALF-MARATHON RACE DAY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Looking for a great teambuilding activity for your business or organization? We need volunteer teams to staff water stations for Tricolumbia's Blossoms of Hope Half Marathon on Sunday, April 26, 2009. Show your organization's team spirit and zest for life by adopting a water stop station. CREATIVITY WELCOME! All groups will receive free t-shirts and a sponsor sign. Call 410-313-1900 for more information.

Maryland Tourism Council Marketing Day Wednesday, March 4 9 am - 2:30 pm

LEARN FROM A PANEL OF EXPERTS THE BENEFITS OF GOING GREEN
Green Initiative: The who, what, where, when, how, and why of going green.
Doing More With Less- Stretching marketing dollars, what works/what doesn't, best practices in hard economic times.
Please refer to the [Events/Conference tab](#) for details and speaker information.
\$65 MTC Members, \$95 Non-Members.
Venue: National Wildlife Visitor Center, Patuxent Research Refuge
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The History Press has recently released a new book on Ellicott City entitled, "Remembering Ellicott City - Stories from the Patapsco River Valley," written and compiled by Janet Kusterer and Victoria Goeller. The authors "bring together a fascinating history of their beloved city with colorful firsthand accounts by local residents." The book is available at the Howard County Welcome Center for \$23.25. If interested stop into the Center or call 410-313-1900.

SOIREE! Tourism's Annual Fundraiser Tuesday, June 2, 2009

Enjoy an evening of fabulous dining, while bidding to win exciting travel packages - and cheer as you watch our Dazzling Dancing Stars in the beautiful tented gardens at Belmont Conference Center. This is sure to be a sell out again this year! Tickets are now on sale: Go to the [Soiree](#) page on the Tourism website.

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